

Excerpts from the Minutes of the

211TH MEETING OF THE

TOWN OF MILFORD

January 31st 2004 – Deliberative Session

March 9 2004 – Elective Session

Date: March 19 2004

Total Registered Voters: 8616

Number of voters at the Deliberative Session: 146

Total Votes Cast: 2768

The Deliberative Session of the Annual Town Meeting opened at 9 o'clock in the forenoon in the Auditorium in the Milford Town Hall in said Milford.

The Moderator, Stephen Martin, opened the Meeting by reading of the Warrant and advised that the inhabitants qualified to vote were called upon to act upon the Warrant in accordance with Senate Bill #2, more precisely known as New Hampshire RSA 40:13, officially known as the "Official Ballot Referendum Form of Meeting". This was the eighth Town Meeting under this law.

The inhabitants were called upon to transact all business other than voting, and were advised by the Moderator that on March 9 2004, the Second Session, voting by official ballot, would take place with the polls opening at 6a.m. and closing at 8 p.m., to be held at the Milford Middle School Gymnasium, to act upon all matters of the Warrant as well as officers and other matters to be voted upon.

Election Officers present: Supervisors of the Checklist: Ernest Barrett, Chairman, Herbert Harding and Elaine Farrington, Town Clerk, Margaret Langell.

The Moderator called to order the 211th Town Meeting in the Auditorium of the Milford Town Hall at 9a.m. Present for the meeting were: Board of Selectmen: Nancy Amato, Chairman, Cynthia Herman, Vice Chairman, Noreen O'Connell, Gary Daniels and Leonard Mannino; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Margaret Langell; Town Administrator, Katherine Chambers; Director of Public Works, William Ruoff; Superintendent of the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Tom Neforas; Fire Chief, Richard Pauley; Planning Director, William Parker; Finance Director,

Rosemarie Evans; Assessor, Greg Heyn; Police Chief, Fred Douglas; Building Inspector/Health Official, Kevin Lynch; Library Director, Arthur Bryan; Director of Welfare, Maria Brown; Ambulance Director, Eric Schelberg; Leen In't Veld, Data Operations Technician; Kevin Tyska, Recreation Director; Ruth Bolduc, Director of Human Resources; Town Counsel, William R. Drescher; Budget Advisory Committee: Charles Sweeney, Chairman, Ryan Hansen, Joseph Stella, Therese Oriani-Muller; Lawrence Pickett, Dee Dee Carter, David Quigley, Terry Norstrand and Terry Parker.

The Minutes were prepared by Lorraine Carson.

The invocation was delivered by The Reverend Dana Miller of the First Baptist Church of Milford. The presentation of the colors was given by Erica Benson, D.J. Girard, Sarah Stroehlein and Jennifer Staretorp, members of the Milford High School Band. Sarah Stroehlein lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator announced Wilfred Leduc was the Assistant Moderator for this meeting, and thanked him for his willingness to serve.

The Moderator thanked the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator Katherine Chambers, and Town Clerk, Margaret Langell, for their assistance in preparing for this Town Meeting.

The Moderator also thanked the Budget Advisory Committee for their work on the Budget for the Town, for their recommendations, and the many long hours devoted to this service.

The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Nancy Amato, introduced the members of that Board: Cynthia Herman, Noreen O'Connell, Gary Daniels and Leonard Mannino.

The Chairman of the Budget Advisory Committee, Charles Sweeney, introduced the members of that Committee: Ryan Hansen, Joseph Stella, Therese Oriani-Muller, Lawrence Pickett, Dee Dee Carter, David Quigley, Terry Norstrand and Terry Parker.

The Moderator advised the assembly that there was a need for individuals willing to work on the Budget Advisory Committee, and he would be pleased to accept any volunteers so willing.

The Moderator explained to the inhabitants that this session of Town Meeting was to put the articles on the Warrant into the form of questions which would then be placed on the Ballot. This ballot would then be voted upon at the second session of this Town Meeting on March 9 2004. He added that this official ballot would include all the usual ballot issues such a voting for officers and zoning issues, together with the Warrant Articles before this session, but in the form of questions. The complete School Warrant would also be part of the official ballot to be voted on at the second session on March 9 2004.

The Moderator advised the assembly that the Annual School District Deliberative Session would take place on Thursday, February 6 2004 at 7 p.m. in the Milford Middle School Gymnasium.

The Moderator advised that this meeting would be conducted from the Voters Guide. He stated he would present each article in a brief synopsis form because the articles were in total agreement with the ballot questions; it would be assumed that the Board of Selectmen has moved the article and that the Budget Advisory Committee has seconded it unless otherwise stated. Should the Budget Committee not support an article, then the Moderator will assume it is seconded by the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. After discussion is completed he would instruct the Town Clerk to place the question pertaining to each article on the ballot. He announced he would read each question in full.

The Moderator stated he would read the question and then accept any comments by the Board of Selectmen; then he would accept those of the Budget Committee, if any.

He advised that adequate time for discussion would be allowed. He would not accept a motion to call the question unless there had been adequate discussion. The Moderator stated the questions would be open for discussion as well as any amendments presented. He added that only amendments would be brought to a vote. Other than that, the Moderator would instruct the Town Clerk to put the question on the ballot because under the State law, every warrant article must be put into the form of a question and be placed upon the ballot.

The Moderator announced some of the usual housekeeping rules. Each voter must wear a pink sticker and only those wearing the pink sticker would be permitted to speak and/or vote. The sticker indicates the person as being a registered voter of the Town of Milford. He stated that unless objections were raised, all non-resident Department heads and other individuals present to provide details on various warrant articles, would be allowed to address the assembly as needed in matters of the Warrant. Anyone wishing to speak should proceed to the microphone, be recognized, and state his/her name and address. Relative to calling the question, the Moderator requested that those speaking refrain from this act, instead permitting another to do so. Once the Question has been called, those already standing at the microphone would be permitted to speak. Presentations would be limited to four minutes from the floor. Department heads and others required to speak would be given fifteen minutes for the presentations. There shall be no voice votes. Instead pink cards provided, shall be raised in the process of voting. The Moderator stated he would ask for the cards to be raised by those wishing to vote in the affirmative, then he would ask for them to be lowered; then he would ask for those wishing to vote in the negative to raise their cards. The Moderator stated he would accept only one amendment at a time, and this would then be cleared back to the main motion before he would accept another amendment. No amendments would be accepted on ballot votes.

The Moderator explained that all votes at this first session require a majority vote only. He would not accept any motion to pass over, take no action or table any article on the Warrant because New Hampshire RSA 40: 13 requires every article before the first session to appear on the ballot for the second session of

this Town Meeting. He asked that should he receive a vote from the first session on a particular article indicating that the voters do not wish this article, for any reason, to appear on the ballot, he would not be able to accept this because of the law under which this Town Meeting is being conducted, and would regardless, instruct the Town Clerk to put that particular question on the ballot as it was originally proposed on the floor at the Meeting of this first session. The Moderator added he would not accept a motion to divide a warrant article into more than one question.

On the subject of amendments, the Moderator stated that all amendments must be submitted in writing and only those affecting figures would be accepted by voice. He stated that if a member of the assembly felt an amendment should be by secret ballot, he/she was to raise his/her hand. The Moderator would then accept a written petition bearing five signatures and requesting a secret ballot. The petition must be present in the hall in order for it to be discussed and the petitioners must also be present in the hall.

The Moderator stated that the only question on the Warrant that has any restrictions is Article #10, the Budget for the Town. The default amount in the Budget cannot be amended nor can the language of this article be altered in any fashion. The only issue in this article that can be amended is the dollar amount for which the Board of Selectmen is asking to operate the Town for the year 2004.

In the matter of reconsideration of an article, the Moderator announced such reconsideration would only be accepted immediately following the original vote. He explained that the law requires that if a citizen moves to restrict reconsideration of an article, and it passes, that will prohibit any further action on that restricted article until the voting at the second session on March 9 2004.

Further in the matter of reconsideration of an article, the Moderator stated he can be overruled. He explained that should there be a vote that a voter wishes to ensure cannot be reconsidered at the end of this Meeting, then prevention of a challenge to the Moderator's ruling needs to be brought to the floor by moving to restrict reconsideration of the article and ballot question immediately after consideration as required by Senate Bill #2. Whenever a legal vote to restrict reconsideration has passed all prior votes are legally protected from being brought back to the floor for reconsiderations.

Before commencing discussion, the Moderator announced there would be presentations made.

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Nancy Amato, announced that Mary Beth Quinn had been chosen to receive the Safety Award for 2003 for her outstanding work as Park Ranger. Ms. Quinn was the recipient of a \$100 US Savings Bond.

Chairman Amato announced that Town Treasurer, Allen White, would not be running again for this position. She thanked him for his time and dedication during the twelve years he had served in this position. Mr. White was honored with a clock commemorating his service.

Selectman Noreen O'Connell and Bill Parker, Director of Planning, announced that Walter Murray would be stepping down as chairman and member of the Planning Board. Mr. Parker thanked Mr. Murray for ten years of dedication to the Board, and the untold hours spent in that endeavor. He added that Mr. Murray's departure would leave a considerable void. Mr. Murray was presented with a clock commemorating his service.

Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Cynthia Herman, announced that Selectman Nancy Amato would not be running for another term as selectman, needing time instead to dedicate to the Souhegan Boys and Girls Club project. Ms. Herman thanked Nancy Amato for her dedication and leadership during her time as a selectman, and presented her with a clock commemorating her service.

ARTICLE 1 – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The results of the voting for Town Officers and School Officers is as follows:

TOWN OFFICERS:**Selectmen for 3 years:**

Paul Gilbert	259
Peter R. Leishman	995
Lawrence D. Pickett	1284 *

Cemetery Trustee for 3 years:

Richard A. Medlyn	2343 *
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Supervisor of the Checklist for 6 Years:

Herb "Butch" Harding	2275 *
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Library Trustee for 3 years:

Mary Burdett	1931 *
Chris Costantino	1553 *

Town Clerk for 3 Years:

Peggy Langel	2304 *
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Town Moderator for 2 Years:

Nancy A. Amato	1559 *
Stephen F. Martin	924

Town Treasurer for 3 Years:

Wilfred A. "Willie" Leduc	1594 *
Kevin R. Taylor	802

*Deemed appointed by the Moderator

ARTICLE 2 – BALLOT VOTE – ZONING CHANGES

To vote on Planning Board proposed zoning changes and amendments.

Ballot Vote No. 1

- 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Milford Planning Board for the Town of Milford Zoning Ordinance as follows:**

AMENDMENT #1: **Replace in its entirety, ARTICLE VI - OVERLAY DISTRICTS, Section 6.040 OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION ZONING DISTRICT with a revised Section 6.040 OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT.**

SECTION 6.040 OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION ZONING DISTRICT (Revised 2004)**6.041 PURPOSE**

- To create permanently protected open space without decreasing the allowable density of the site;
- To promote the preservation of and to minimize the negative impact on environmental resources, including but not limited to: streams, ponds, floodplains, wetlands, steep slopes, scenic views, open fields, farmland, wildlife habitat, habitat of rare and endangered species, and historic sites and features;
- To enhance the quality of life with the provision of space for walking, passive recreation, and aesthetic enjoyment;
- To provide for low impact active recreational opportunities, where appropriate. Low impact, for the purpose of this ordinance, shall preclude formal recreation fields or structures intended for year round use;
- To provide greater flexibility and efficiency in the siting and design of roads and services;

Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 Years:

Janet Spalding	2193 *
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SCHOOL OFFICERS:**School District Moderator for 2 Years:**

Kevin Drew	2209 *
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School District Treasurer for 2 Years:

Jeanne M. Walsh	2175 *
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School District Clerk for 2 Years:

Joan Dargie	1526 *
Kevin R. Taylor	819

School Board for 1 years:

Dennis M. Shepard	634
Robert "Bob" Willette	1610 *

School Board for 3 Years:

Cara Barlow	1681 *
Gary L. Daniels	1631 *

- F. To discourage sprawling, land consuming forms of development.

6.042 GENERAL REGULATIONS

- A. Any plan submitted under the Open Space and Conservation Zoning District section of the Town of Milford's Zoning Ordinance (hereinafter Open Space Preservation Design or OSPD) shall mean a development in which the provisions of this Section are met.
- B. All open space shall be dedicated as permanently preserved from future development.
- C. The overall density shall not exceed that which would be allowed in the underlying district
- D. Open space set asides are ineligible as contributing land area in any subsequent development.
- E. Permitted uses are the same as those allowed in the underlying district.

6.043 LOCATION AND SCOPE OF AUTHORITY

- A. The Open Space and Conservation Zoning District is an overlay district which imposes additional requirements and restrictions to those of the underlying base district established under the powers granted under NH RSA 674:21. In cases of conflict between the requirements of this district and the requirements presented elsewhere in the Town of Milford's Zoning Ordinance, the provisions of this District shall apply.
- B. All subdivisions of land into five (5) or more residential lots, or developments of five (5) or more dwelling units, must incorporate the criteria in OSPD, except as set forth below. The Planning Board will examine the subdivision proposal using the list of resources desirable for preservation (see Open Space Design 6.044:D.1) to ensure that the proposed open space is consistent with the criteria set forth and the purpose of the District. At the discretion of the Planning Board, and if the proposed development does not meet the criteria, the development may be required to incorporate the criteria of a conventional subdivision as permitted by the underlying zoning district.
- C. Properties with subdivision proposals of four (4) or fewer residential lots or for development of four (4) or fewer dwelling units, will be examined by the Planning Board using the list of resources desirable for preservation (see Open Space Design 6.044:D.1). At the discretion of the Planning Board, these developments may be required to incorporate the criteria in OSPD.
- D. Developments of four (4) or fewer lots, or four (4) or fewer dwelling units, that have not been identified by the Planning Board as needing to comply with OSPD, are exempt from the OSPD requirement, provided there is no potential for further subdivision or development of any lots or dwelling units therein or of the parcel from which the four (4) or fewer lots or dwelling units have been subdivided.
- E. Residential subdivisions of land in any District, where each lot is at least 5 times the size required in the underlying district, shall be exempt from OSPD requirements, provided the deed and the subdivision plan for each lot(s) contains a restriction prohibiting the further subdivision of the lot(s).
- F. When a subdivision or development is proposed which includes a lot(s) which may be capable of further subdivision or development, the Planning Board may require that a conceptual, long range plan for the entire parent parcel be presented so that the Board may consider the entirety of a parcel and its impacts. This long-range plan is non-binding. Any future development of the lot or lots will be reviewed by the Planning Board with reference to this long-range plan.

6.044 OPEN SPACE DESIGN

- A. Every OSPD shall avoid or minimize adverse impacts on the town's natural, cultural and historic resources by incorporating permanently protected open space into the design.
- B. The minimum required open space for all OSPD's is thirty (30) percent of the gross tract area.
- C. Of the minimum required open space one hundred (100) percent must consist of non-wetland soils and soils with slopes less than twenty-five (25) percent. Open space dedicated in excess of the minimum required area may contain any percentage of wetland soils or steep slopes. If the OSPD is a Senior Housing Development, as defined in Section

7.070 of the Zoning Ordinance, the green space requirements of Section 7.074.E shall apply.

D. Design Standards:

1. List of Resources to Consider for Preservation:

- a. Open water, waterways, stream channels, floodplains and very poorly drained soils, including adjacent buffer areas as defined in 6.020 Wetland Protection District;
- b. The habitat of species listed as endangered, threatened, or of special concern by the NH Natural Heritage Inventory and/or by the NH Fish & Game Department's Non-game & Endangered Wildlife Program;
- c. Moderate slopes, fifteen to twenty-five (15-25) percent, and steep slopes, greater than twenty-five (25) percent, particularly those adjoining water courses and ponds.
- d. Prime (Federal designation) and Important (State designation) Agricultural Soils, as shown on the Agricultural Soils Map in the current Milford Conservation Plan;
- e. Historic sites and features;
- f. Existing or planned trails connecting the tract to other locations, including, but not limited to, the trails on the Town Wide Trails Map maintained by the Milford Conservation Commission of formal and informal trails;
- g. Other space or resources as required by the Planning Board for recreational use consistent with Section 6.041.

2. Design and Use considerations for preserved Open Space:

- a. The preserved open space shall include as many of the resources listed in Section 6.044.C.1 (Resources to Consider for Preservation) as practical;
- a. The preserved open space shall be free of all structures except historic sites, features, and structures related to permitted open space uses;
- b. Subsurface disposal systems may not be placed in the preserved open space;
- c. Water supplies may be placed in the preserved open space;
- d. Stormwater management systems may, at the discretion of the Planning Board, be placed in the preserved open space;
- e. Preserved open space shall, unless privately owned, be accessible to the lots or units within the development, and to the general public if publicly owned;
- f. Narrow open space strips shall not be permitted unless the incorporation of the open space strips provides a logical and practical link to, or expansion of, either existing or known planned adjacent preserved open space;
- g. Preserved open spaces shall be interconnected wherever possible to provide a continuous network of open space lands within and adjoining the development;
- h. Public access, regardless of ownership, shall be provided to trails if they are linked to other publicly accessible pathway systems.

E. Protection and Ownership:

1. All open space shall be permanently protected by a conservation easement or by covenants and restrictions in perpetuity, approved by the Planning Board after review by the Conservation Commission. The Planning Board may require further legal review of any documents submitted, the cost of which shall be borne by the applicant. Ownership of the open space may be held by:

- a. A homeowners association or other legal entity under New Hampshire State Statutes, or
 - a. Private ownership, protected by a conservation easement and limited to not-for-profit parks, and not-for-profit recreation areas or commercial agriculture and forestry; or
 - b. A non-profit organization, the principal purpose of which is the conservation of open space; or
 - c. The Town of Milford, through the deeding process, subject to approval of the Planning Board and Board of Selectmen, with a trust clause insuring that it be maintained as open space in perpetuity.

2. Open space ownership shall be at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen, in consultation with the Planning Board, Conservation Commission and other Town Boards and Departments as deemed necessary. The Planning Board will be responsible to provide a recommendation on ownership of the preserved open space to the Board of Selectmen for its consideration and acceptance.

6.045 DENSITY AND DIMENSIONAL STANDARDS

- A. Density:
 1. The density of the proposed development shall be equal to or less than the density allowed in a conventional development;
 2. The maximum density of the proposed development shall be established by a preliminary plan showing the number of lots or units which could be constructed in a conventional subdivision without any special exceptions and/or waivers for lot frontage, area, road and driveway grades, dead-end road length, and soil types suitable for subsurface disposal systems (if used).
- B. Dimensional Standards:
 1. Lot size, frontage, and setbacks will be project specific and are subject to the approval of the Planning Board. Individual lot size, frontage, building envelopes, and setbacks shall be tabulated on the plan. At its discretion, the Planning Board may waive Sections 6.045.B.2, 3, and 4 relative to frontage and setback requirements.
 2. The minimum lot frontage shall be fifty (50) feet.
 3. The minimum lot width with the building envelope shall be seventy-five (75) feet. For the purpose of this section of the Zoning Ordinance, the building envelope shall be defined as the building area to fifteen (15) feet outside of the proposed building footprint, including attached walkways, porches, decks, retaining walls, and other such appurtenances that are necessary or desired for construction of the building.
 4. The building shall be setback at least thirty (30) feet from the front and rear property lines. The building shall be at least fifteen (15) feet from the side property lines.
 5. Village Plan alternatives as outlined in RSA 674:21.VI shall be permitted. No increase in density will be permitted.
 6. All lots and/or structures within the OSPD, built adjacent to a perimeter boundary of the development or with frontage on or adjacent to an existing public road shall conform to all building setbacks and lot frontages as required in the underlying zoning district.
 7. The Planning Board may require site plans for individual lots containing slopes greater than fifteen (15) percent, soils rated as having "severe" limitations for septic systems if not on municipal sewer (as determined by the USDA), and very poorly drained soils.

Voting on this amendment is as follows:

YES: 2234 NO: 412

Article #2 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 3 – Police Facility - \$2,950,260

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,950,260 (Two Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Dollars) for the demolition of the Garden Street School, and the construction and equipping of a Milford Police Facility on that site, Map 25 Lot 67, which the School District has agreed to give to the Town for this purpose, and to authorize the Selectmen to raise this appropriation by borrowing not more than \$2,950,260 under the Municipal Finance Act, (RSA 33) and to issue bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes therefore, and to determine the rate of interest thereon, to be repaid from general taxation, and to authorize the Selectmen to contract for and expend any Federal or State aid that may be available for this project and to authorize the Selectmen to take all other necessary action to carry out this project. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32.

Note: It is estimated that the town will receive \$640,000 in Impact Fees over the 20 year life of the bond.

Note: As this is a bond issue, this vote requires, under State law, sixty (60%) percent affirmative vote to pass. This is a 20-year bond issue and this Article does not impact the tax rate until 2005 and will then have an **estimated tax impact of 37 cents (\$37 on a home valued at \$100,000)**.

The Moderator read Ballot Question #3 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 3 – Police Facility - \$2,950,260

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,950,260 for the demolition of the Garden Street School and the construction and equipping of a Milford Police Facility on that site, Map 25 Lot 67, which the School District has agreed to give to the Town for this purpose, and to authorize the Selectmen to raise this appropriation by borrowing not more than \$2,950,260 under the Municipal Finance Act, (RSA 33) and to issue bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes therefore, and to determine the rate of interest thereon, to be repaid from general taxation, and to authorize the Selectmen to contract for and expend any Federal or State aid that may be available for this project, and to authorize the Selectmen to take all other necessary action to carry out this project, as more particularly described in Article 3? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #3 are as follows:

YES: 1649 NO: 1077

This Article required a 60% majority to pass. The total number of votes cast was 2726. Sixty percent of the total is 1636.

Article #3 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 4 - Revaluation of Town Property - \$225,900

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$225,900 (Two Hundred Twenty Five Thousand, Nine Hundred Dollars), for the complete revaluation of property in Milford, or take any other action relative thereto. (This revaluation has been ordered by the State of New Hampshire Board of Tax and Land Appeals (BTLA) and we have no choice but to comply.) This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the revaluation is completed or by 31 December 2008, whichever is sooner. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of 29 cents (\$29 on a home valued at \$100,000)**. .

The Moderator read Ballot Question #4 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 4 - Revaluation of Town Property - \$225,900

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$225,900 for the complete revaluation of property in Milford, as more particularly described in Article 4? (This revaluation has been ordered by the State of New Hampshire Board of Tax and Land Appeals (BTLA) and we have no choice but to comply.) The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #4:

YES: 1820 NO: 840

Article #4 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 5 – Milford Area Communication Center Equipment - \$45,990

The Moderator presented a summary of this article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease-purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing equipment (Communications Control System, Dispatch Communications Console, Digital Call Recorder, Signal-to-Noise Voter), required to operate the Milford Area Communication Center (MACC) and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,990 (Forty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars) for the first year's payment for this purpose, or take any other action relative thereto. This equipment will remain the property to the Town of Milford and will be on loan to MACC so long as the Town of Milford remains a member of MACC. The purchase price of this equipment is \$219,000 (Communications Control System - \$135,000; Dispatch Communications Console - \$29,000; Digital Call Recorder - \$25,000; Signal-to-Noise Voter - \$30,000). If this Article passes, subsequent year's payments will be included in the Operating Budget. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This article has an **estimated tax impact of 6 cents (\$6 on a home valued at \$100,000).**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #5 as follows

BALLOT QUESTION 5 – Milford Area Communication Center Equipment - \$45,990

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease-purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing equipment (Communications Control System, Dispatch Communications Console, Digital Call Recorder, Signal-to-Noise Voter), required to operate the Milford Area Communication Center (MACC) and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,990 for the first year's payment for this purpose, as more particularly set forth in Article 5? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #5

YES: 1869 NO: 777

Article #5 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 6– Conservation Easement – Osgood Pond Dredging - \$0

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to grant a conservation easement on approximately 29 acres of the "Brox Property" (of which approximately 26 acres are wetlands, parts of Map 38 Lot 9, Map 38 Lot 14 and Map 38 Lot 58), for the purpose of providing an in-kind match valued at approximately \$227,383 for the dredging and clean-up of Osgood Pond by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and to authorize the Selectmen to execute any and all documents to cause this easement to be established and imposed on the subject property, or take any other action relative thereto. The funding for this project will be 65% federal funds and 35% local funds (previously appropriated plus in-kind contributions). The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. This article has **NO tax impact.**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #6 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 6 – Conservation Easement – Osgood Pond Dredging - \$0

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to grant a conservation easement on approximately 29 acres of the "Brox Property" (of which approximately 26 acres are wetlands, parts of Map 38 Lot 9, Map 38 Lot 14 and Map 38 Lot 58), the purpose of providing an in-kind match valued at approximately \$227,383 for the dredging and clean-up of Osgood Pond by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and to authorize the Selectmen to execute any and all documents to cause this easement to be established and imposed on

the subject property, as more particularly described in Article 6? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #6 are as follows:

YES: 2221 NO: 428

Article #6 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 7 - Conservation Commission Land Fund - \$50,000

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the established "Conservation Land Fund" created in accordance with RSA 36-A, said fund together with any future additions thereto, the sum to be allowed to accumulate from year to year and be available for the acquisition of property and other conservation purposes pursuant to RSA 36-A), and to authorize the Selectmen to take all other necessary action to carry out this project. By request of the Conservation Commission. (FYI - Money in the Land Fund can only be expended by the Conservation Commission after a public hearing (RSA 36-A:5 II) & approval of the Board of Selectmen (RSA 36-A:4). The Land Fund has an estimated balance of \$47,000. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an estimated tax impact of 6 cents (\$6 on a home valued at \$100,000).

The Moderator read Ballot Question #7 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 7 - Conservation Commission Land Fund - \$50,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the established "Conservation Land Fund", as more particularly described in Article 7? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #7 are as follows:

YES: 1662 NO: 972

Article #7 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 8 - Wastewater Treatment Operating Budget - \$1,565,025

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,565,025 (One Million, Five Hundred Sixty Five Thousand, Twenty Five Dollars) to operate and maintain the Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Sanitary Sewer Collection System, said appropriation to be offset by income received from sewer users charges of an equal amount, or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is **paid for by the sewer user fees.**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #8 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 8 - Wastewater Treatment Operating Budget - \$1,565,025

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,565,025 to operate and maintain the Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Sanitary Sewer Collection System, said appropriation to be offset by income received from sewer users charges of an equal amount, as more particularly described in Article 8? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #8 are as follows:

YES: 2004 NO: 622

Article #8 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 9 - Water Department Operating Budget - \$1,018,339

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,018,339 (One Million Eighteen Thousand, Three Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars) to operate and maintain the Water Department, said appropriation to be offset by income received from the water users charges of an equal amount, or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is **paid for by the water user fees.**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #9 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 9 - Water Department Operating Budget - \$1,018,339

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,018,339 to operate and maintain the Water Department, said appropriation to be offset by income received from the water users charges of an equal amount, as more particularly described in Article 9? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #9 are as follows:

YES: 1972 NO: 638

Article #9 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 10 - Operating Budget - \$10,108,627

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

Shall the Town of Milford raise and appropriate, as an operating budget not including appropriations by Special Warrant Articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the Warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$10,108,627 (Ten Million, One Hundred Eight Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Seven Dollars)? Should this Article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$9,825,241 (Nine Million Eight Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Two Hundred Forty One Dollars) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. The Board of Selectmen supports this 2004 Operating Budget Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Operating Budget Article. This Article has an **estimated tax impact 75 cents (\$75 on a home valued at \$100,000).**

Note: As part of a reorganization of the Department of Public Works (including Water and Wastewater), the budget contains the following additions to staff: Assistant Public Works Director (Water/Wastewater/Environmental)(20%); Superintendent of Highways, Drains and Developments; Superintendent of Cemeteries and Parks; Truck Driver.

Note: The proposed operating budget contains a one-ton 4 wheel-drive dump truck (\$28,000) to replace a 1991 one-ton 2 wheel-drive dump truck (we will be able to use the new truck to plow which we cannot do with the old truck); and one police cruiser to replace one of the existing cruisers with high mileage.

The Moderator read Ballot Question #10 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 10 - Operating Budget - \$10,108,627

Shall the Town of Milford raise and appropriate, as an operating budget not including appropriations by Special Warrant Articles and other appropriations voted separately, the

amounts set forth on the budget posted with the Warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$10,108,627? Should this Article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$9,825,241 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only, as more particularly described in Article 10. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

(The listing below is for your budget review process. It is depicted in the Town Warrant and Report for your information but will not be on the March Ballot.)

Please Note: For convenience, the entire Budget as proposed, is depicted on the next page.

DEPARTMENT	<u>2003</u> <u>APPROP.</u>	<u>2003</u> <u>EXP</u>	<u>2004</u> <u>REQ</u>	<u>2004</u> <u>BAC</u>
Board of Selectmen	\$69,113	\$62,994	\$50,118	
Administration	148,849	137,480	153,676	
Moderator	575	500	575	
Boards & Commissions	25,300	18,754	5,600	
Town Clerk	78,592	72,980	91,718	
Voter Registration	11,782	8,910	15,426	
Finance	157,868	141,342	141,436	
Assessing	134,409	129,591	139,472	
Tax Collector	82,161	77,967	85,994	
Information Systems	138,880	138,454	164,719	
Legal Services	200,000	176,291	143,151	
Human Resources	54,206	53,183	56,741	
Employee Benefits	1,383,014	1,320,516	1,635,007	
Planning	156,093	152,855	177,405	
Zoning	2,800	2,584	4,208	
General Gov Buildings	160,924	152,187	166,012	
Cemeteries	94,517	88,782	146,285	
Insurance	94,453	115,965	98,860	
Police	1,574,651	1,500,185	1,627,299	
Ambulance	445,875	437,886	495,886	
Fire	363,346	349,048	365,736	
Building and Health	115,141	113,617	136,313	
Emergency Management	15,000	17,157	20,000	
Other Public Safety	317,823	318,018	368,616	
Highway Administration	72,316	71,640	116,950	
Highways & Streets	798,428	788,100	859,140	
Street Lighting	68,600	65,710	60,400	
Solid Waste Disposal	816,289	740,099	720,357	
Welfare - Administration	32,465	32,638	33,423	
Welfare - Direct Assistance	142,536	174,851	176,500	
Other Health & Welfare	9,295	9,295	9,899	
Parks Maintenance	115,176	97,635	125,290	
Recreation	75,910	44,613	64,576	
Library	535,239	535,239	564,588	
Conservation	10,844	10,844	14,130	

Other Culture & Recreation	2,820	2,820	23,000
Debt Service	1,074,710	1,057,004	1,050,121
TOTAL	\$9,580,000	\$9,217,734	\$10,108,627

(UNAUDITED)

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #10 are as follows:

YES: 1668 NO: 964

Article #10 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 11 – AFSCME Union Collective Bargaining Agreement - \$98,727

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the Police Officers' Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) reached between the Board of Selectmen and Local 3657 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) for contract years 2002, 2003, 2004 (1 April – 31 March) which calls for increases in salaries, benefits, new cost items and other costs attributable to this Agreement, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$98,727 (Ninety Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Seven Dollars) for fiscal years 2002, 2003 and 2004. Said sum represents the additional costs over those of the current appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the expiring Agreement, and upon approval of this Article, said cost allocation is to be transferred to the general operating budget, or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of 13 cents (\$13 on a home valued at \$100,000).**

	<u>COST ITEMS</u>			
	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
Wages	\$ 12,403	\$32,293	\$42,703	\$10,795
Benefits	1,452	3,779	4,997	1,263
Other Costs			1,100	1,100
Totals	<u>\$ 13,855</u>	<u>\$36,072</u>	<u>\$48,800</u>	<u>\$13,158</u>

The Moderator read Ballot Question #11 as follows

BALLOT QUESTION 11 – AFSCME Union Collective Bargaining Agreement -\$98,727

Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the Police Officers' Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) reached between the Board of Selectmen and Local 3657 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) for contract years 2002, 2003, 2004 (1 April – 31 March) which calls for increases in salaries, benefits, new cost items and other costs attributable to this Agreement, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$98,727 for fiscal years 2002, 2003 and 2004, as more particularly described in Article 11? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #11 are as follows:

YES: 1721 NO: 907

Article #11 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 12 – One Ton Dump Truck with Plow - \$32,000

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,000 (Thirty Two Thousand Dollars) to purchase and equip a one-ton, four-wheel drive dump truck with plow assembly for the Highway Department which will replace the 1993 Ford one-ton dump truck, and further to authorize the disposal of the 1993 Ford dump truck by sale or other means as the Selectmen determine, or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of 4 cents (\$4 on a home valued at \$100,000).**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #12 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 12 – One Ton Dump Truck with Plow - \$32,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,000 to purchase and equip a one-ton, four-wheel drive dump truck with plow assembly for the Highway Department which will replace the 1993 Ford one-ton dump truck, and further to authorize the disposal of the 1993 Ford dump truck by sale or other means as the Selectmen determine, as more particularly set forth in Article 12? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #12 are as follows:

YES: 1749 NO: 902

Article #12 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 13 – 2002 Caterpillar Loader with Bucket and Forks - \$22,295

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a three (3) year lease-purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing a used (low hours) 2002 Caterpillar Wheel Loader with bucket and forks for the Highway Department, replacing the 1988 Trojan loader (removed from service due to engine failure), and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,295 (Twenty Two Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Five Dollars) for the first years' payment for this purpose, and further to authorize the disposition of the 1988 Trojan loader by sale or other means as the Selectmen may determine, or take any other action relative thereto. The purchase price of this vehicle is \$83,500, with a trade-in on the Trojan loader of \$3,000, and credit for the existing 6 month lease payments of \$16,800 (the net amount to finance will be \$63,700). If this Article passes, subsequent year's payments will be included in the Operating Budget. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an estimated tax impact of 3 cents (\$3 on a home valued at \$100,000).

The Moderator read Ballot Question #13 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 13 – 2002 Caterpillar Loader with Bucket and Forks - \$22,295

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a three (3) year lease-purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing a used (low hours) 2002 Caterpillar Wheel Loader with bucket and forks for the Highway Department, replacing the 1988 Trojan loader (removed from service due to engine failure) and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,295 for the first year's payment for this purpose, and further to authorize the disposition of the 1988 Trojan loader by sale or other means as the Selectmen may determine, as more particularly described in Article 13? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #13 are as follows:

YES: 1747 NO: 909

Article #13 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 14 - Keyes Pool House Renovation & Expansion - \$59,527

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$59,527 (Fifty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Seven Dollars), to renovate the existing Keyes Pool House building and construct a 320 sq. ft. addition and a 320 sq. ft. storage building in order to provide a separate First Aid Room, locker and lunch room space for the staff, concession area, and storage space for equipment, said funds to come from the 2003 unreserved fund balance which represents the money left over from the 2003 Pool Filter System Replacement warrant article, or take any other action relative thereto. By request of the Recreation Commission. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has **NO tax impact**.

The Moderator read Ballot Question #14 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 14 - Keyes Pool House Renovation & Expansion - \$59,527

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$59,527, to renovate the existing Keyes Pool House building and construct a 320 sq. ft. addition and a 320 sq. ft. storage building in order to provide a separate First Aid Room, locker and lunch room space for the staff, concession area, and storage space for equipment, said funds to come from the 2003 unreserved fund balance which represents the money left over from the 2003 Pool Filter System Replacement warrant article, as more particularly described in Article 14. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #14 are as follows:

YES: 1783 NO: 907

Article #14 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 15 - Brox Residential Property Master Plan Consultant - \$22,900

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,900 (Twenty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars) for the purpose of hiring a professional consultant to develop a master plan for the approximately 145 acres of the "Brox Property" zoned Residential "R" to properly accommodate a mix of community uses (schools, recreation, fire, ambulance, cemetery, transfer station, etc.), or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Warrant

Article in accordance with RSA 32. This article has an **estimated tax impact of 3 cents (\$3 on a home valued at \$100,000).**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #15 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 15 - Brox Residential Property Master Plan Consultant - \$22,900

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,900 for the purpose of hiring a professional consultant to develop a master plan for the approximately 145 acres of the "Brox Property" zoned Residential "R" to properly accommodate a mix of community uses (schools, recreation, fire, ambulance, cemetery, transfer station, etc.), as more particularly described in Article 15? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #15 are as follows:

YES: 1402 NO: 1236

Article #15 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 16 - Establishing Additional Town Forests - \$0

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to establish as Town Forest, pursuant to RSA 31:110 – 31:114, the following town-owned conservation lands: Rotch Wildlife Preserve, Map 52, Lot 18, and Dadoly Conservation Land, Map 53, Lot 72, to be managed by the Conservation Commission pursuant to RSA 31:112, (II), or take any other action relative thereto. By request of the Conservation Commission. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. This article has **NO tax impact**.

The Moderator read Ballot Question #16 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 16 - Establishing Additional Town Forests - \$0

Shall the Town vote to establish as Town Forest, pursuant to RSA 31:110 – 31:114, the following town-owned conservation lands: Rotch Wildlife Preserve, Map 52, Lot 18, and Dadoly Conservation Land, Map 53, Lot 72, to be managed by the Conservation Commission pursuant to RSA 31:112, (II), as more particularly described in Article 16? By request of the Conservation Commission. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #16 are as follows:

YES: 2322 NO: 342

Article #16 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 17 - Rail-Trail Parking - \$0

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer, with restrictions, 4815 square feet (0.11 acres) of Map 42 Lot 77, Town owned land to Map 47 Lot 15 (162 Armory Road), in exchange for a permanent easement on 40,412 square feet (0.93 acres) of Map 47 Lot 15 for parking and access to the Rail-Trail in the vicinity of Armory Road, on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate. By request of the Conservation Commission. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. This article has **NO tax impact**.

The Moderator read Ballot Question #17 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 17 - Rail-Trail Parking - \$0

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer, with restrictions, 4815 square feet (0.11 acres) of Map 42 Lot 77, Town owned land to Map 47 Lot 15 (162 Armory Road), in exchange for a permanent easement on 40,412 square feet (0.93 acres) of Map 47 Lot 15 for parking and access to the Rail-Trail in the vicinity of Armory Road, as more particularly described in Article 17. By request of the Conservation Commission. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #17 are as follows:

YES: 2258 NO: 389

Article #17 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 18 – School Resource Officer - \$39,732

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$39,732 (Thirty Nine Thousand, Seven Hundred Thirty Two Dollars) for the purpose of hiring (beginning in April) a full-time School Resource Officer for the Police Department to be assigned to the schools, and to authorize placement of the costs associated with this position into the general operating budget as an annual expenditure, or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of 5 cents (\$5 on a home valued at \$100,000)**. (Note: the annual salary and benefits of \$54,289 plus other below-cited costs has an estimated 2005 tax impact of 7 cents.)

9 months (35 weeks) salary based on \$41,735 annually	\$28,091
Fringe Benefits	11,641

The Moderator read Ballot Question #17 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 18 – School Resource Officer - \$39,732

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$39,732 for the purpose of hiring (beginning in April) a full-time School Resource Officer for the Police Department to be assigned to the schools, and to authorize placement of the costs associated with this position into the general operating budget as an annual expenditure, as more particularly described in Article 18? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #18 are as follows:

YES: 1610 NO: 1065

Article #18 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 19 - DO-IT Operating Budget Support - \$15,000

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of continued partial funding for community and economic development programs in and around downtown administered by the Milford Main Street Program Downtown Ongoing Improvement Team (DO-IT), or take any other action relative thereto. By request of DO-IT. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. This article has an **estimated tax impact of 2 cents (\$2 on a home valued at \$100,000)**.

The Moderator read Ballot Question #19 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 19 - DO-IT Operating Budget Support - \$15,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of continued partial funding for community and economic development programs in and around downtown administered by the Milford Main Street Program Downtown Ongoing Improvement Team (DO-IT), as more particularly described in Article 19? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #19 are as follows:

YES: 1567 NO: 1093

Article #19 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 20 - Pumpkin Festival, Holiday Decorations and Plantings - \$20,000

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) for Pumpkin Festival support (\$15,500) by Public Works, Police, Fire, and Ambulance Departments; purchase and planting of flowers for the Oval and Stone Bridge areas (\$1,500); purchase of lights, garland, etc. for holiday decorations (\$3,000); or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of 3 cents (\$3 on a home valued at \$100,000).**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #20 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 20 - Pumpkin Festival, Holiday Decorations and Plantings - \$20,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for Pumpkin Festival support by Public Works, Police, Fire, and Ambulance Departments; purchase and planting of flowers for the Oval and Stone Bridge areas; purchase of lights, garland, etc. for holiday decoration, as more particularly described in Article 20? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #20 are as follows:

YES: 1685 NO: 1015

Article #20 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 21 – Land Lease or Sale for Recreation - \$0

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to lease or sell, for recreation purposes, to the Milford Community Athletic Association (MCAA) up to seventeen (17) acres of the Town-owned "Brox Property" currently zoned Residential "R", so long as any of that land remains available, said lease or sale to be at such time and on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate, *but not before the finalization and acceptance of the Brox Residential Master Plan*, and shall contain a reverter clause stating that should the land not continue to be used for recreational purposes, all rights of ownership shall revert back to the Town, or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has **NO tax impact.**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #21 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 21 – Land Lease or Sale for Recreation - \$0

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to lease or sell, for recreation purposes, to the Milford Community Athletic Association (MCAA) up to seventeen (17) acres of the Town-owned "Brox Property" currently zoned Residential "R", so long as any of that land remains available, said lease or sale to be at such time and on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate, *but not before the finalization and acceptance of the Brox Residential Master Plan*, and shall contain a reverter clause stating that should the land not continue to be used for recreational purposes, all rights of ownership shall revert back to the Town, as more particularly described in Article 21? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

The Moderator stated this Article was moved by the Board of Selectmen and seconded by the Budget Advisory Committee.

Selectman Chairman, Nancy Amato, put a motion on the floor and it was seconded, to amend this article to read as follows:

“To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to lease or sell, for recreation purposes, to the Milford Community Athletic Association (MACC) up to seventeen (17) acres of the Town-owned “Brox Property” currently zoned Residential ‘R’ so long as any of that land remains available, but not before the finalization and acceptance **by the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing**, of the Brox Residential Master Plan, and shall contain a reverter clause stating that should the land not continue to be used for recreational purposes, all rights of ownership shall revert back to the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.”

There being no discussion or questions on the amendment as proposed, the Moderator called for a vote on the amendment. The amendment passed.

The Moderator announced he had received a second amendment to this article provided by the Budget Committee.

Mr. Terry Parker of the Budget Committee placed the following amendment on the floor, and it was seconded. The amendment is as follows:

In the Article, immediately following the amendment made by the Board of Selectmen, i.e. to add by the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing, that the following be added: “followed by a warrant article for approval by a positive vote of the Town”.

For purposes of clarification, the Moderator stated the Ballot Question is now proposed as follows:

“Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to lease or sell, for recreation purposes, to the Milford Community Athletic Association (MCAA) up to seventeen (17) acres of the Town-owned “Brox Property” currently zoned Residential ‘R’, so long as any of that land remains available, said lease or sale to be at such time and on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate, but not before the finalization and acceptance by the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing, followed by a warrant article for approval by a positive vote of the Town, of the Brox Residential Master Plan, and shall contain a reverter clause stating that should the land not continue to be used for recreational purposes, all rights of ownership shall revert back to the Town, as more particularly described in Article 21?”

Mr. Parker explained that the Budget Committee wished to have a survey done of the whole property for the best possible uses to be made thereof, and then this survey be approved by a majority. He stated that before the Town agreed to give away any part of the property, the survey of the entire property should be done.

Russell Monbleau of the Milford Community Athletic Association addressed the assembly and stated that a similar article was approved at the last town meeting, and he did not support the proposed amendment.

After considerable further discussion, a motion was placed on the floor, and seconded to call the question. The motion passed.

There being no further discussion on the second amendment, the Moderator called for a vote. The amendment failed.

The Moderator advised the assembly that the original article plus the Selectmen’s amendment was now in effect.

With no further comments, the Moderator ordered the Town Clerk to place the question on the Ballot as amended.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #21 are as follows:

YES: 1800 NO: 784

Article #21 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 22 – Social Services - \$20,000

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of providing social service funding for Milford residents by the following agencies, or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of 3 cents (\$3 on a home valued at \$100,000).**

- Milford Regional Counseling Services, Inc. - \$2,077
- St. Joseph Community Services, Inc. - \$2,789
- Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter, Inc. – 2,076
- Community Council - \$1,986
- Keystone Hall - \$1,384
- American Red Cross – Greater Nashua and Souhegan Valley Chapter - \$1,038
- Souhegan Valley Boys & Girls Club- \$2,076
- Souhegan Valley Resources - \$1,730
- Bridges - \$692
- Nashua Area Health Center - \$1,730
- Souhegan Home & Hospice Care - \$1,730
- Home Health & Hospice Care - \$692

The Moderator read Ballot Question #22 as presented in the Voters' Guide as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 22 – Social Services - \$20,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of providing social service funding for Milford residents by the following agencies: Milford Regional Counseling Services, Inc.; St. Joseph Community Services, Inc.; Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter, Inc.; Community Council; Keystone Hall, American Red Cross-Greater Nashua and Souhegan Valley Chapter; Souhegan Valley Boys & Girls Club; Souhegan Valley Resources; Bridges; Nashua Area Health Center; Souhegan Home & Hospice Care; Home Health & Hospice Care, as more particularly described in Article 22? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #22 are as follows:

YES: 2021 NO: 603

Article #22 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 23 – Summer Band Concerts - \$9,000 (\$6000 bands, \$2000 sound system, \$1000 crossing detail)

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000 (Nine Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of holding the traditional summer evening Band Concerts, or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of 1 cent (\$1 on a home valued at \$100,000).**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #23 as printed in the Voters' Guide, as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 23 – Summer Band Concerts - \$9,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000 for the purpose of holding the traditional summer evening Band Concerts, as more particularly described in Article 23? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #23 are as follows:

YES: 1762 NO: 866

Article #23 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 24 – Fire Works - \$10,000

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of providing a 4th of July type fireworks display at a time and location to be determined by the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. **This Article has an estimated tax impact of 1 cent (\$1 on a home valued at \$100,000).**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #24 as printed in the Voters' Guide, as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 24 – Fire Works - \$10,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of providing a 4th of July type fireworks display at a time and location to be determined by the Board of Selectmen, as more particularly described in Article 24? The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #24 are as follows:

YES: 1673 NO: 958

Article #24 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 25 – Memorial, Veterans & Labor Day Parade Town Support - \$5,000

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) for town support to the Memorial, Veterans and Labor Day Parades by Public Works, Police Department and other Town departments with only the aforementioned departmental support costs associated with the provision of these services to be charged against this appropriation, or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of less than 1 cent (less than \$1 on a home valued at \$100,000).**

The Moderator read Ballot Question #25 as printed in the Voters' Guide, as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 25 – Memorial, Veterans & Labor Day Parade Town Support - \$5,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for town support to the Memorial, Veterans and Labor Day Parades by Public Works, Police Department and other Town departments with only the aforementioned departmental support costs associated with the provision of these services to be charged against this appropriation, as more particularly described in Article 25? The Board of Selectmen does and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official voting at the Elective Session on Article #25 are as follows:

YES: 2134 NO: 490

Article #25 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 26 –Modification of Existing Elderly Exemptions

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

Shall we, pursuant to RSA 72:39-(a) and (b), modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Milford, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$40,000, to a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$60,000, and to a person 80 years of age or older, \$80,000? To qualify, the person must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:39-(a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including, without limitation, that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than \$19,500, or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$37,000; and own net assets, whether married or not, not in excess of \$70,000, excluding the value of the person's residence. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article. This Article has an **estimated tax impact of 4 cents (\$4 on a home valued at \$100,000)**.

The Moderator read Ballot Question #26 as printed in the Voters' Guide, as follows

BALLOT QUESTION 26 –Modification of Existing Elderly Exemptions

Shall we, pursuant to RSA 72:39-(a) and (b), modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Milford, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$40,000, to a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$60,000, and to a person 80 years of age or older, \$80,000? To qualify, the person must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:39-(a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including, without limitation, that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than \$19,500, or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$37,000; and own net assets, whether married or not, not in excess of \$70,000, excluding the value of the person's residence. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The Moderator stated this article was moved by the Board of Selectmen and seconded by the Budget Advisory Committee.

Selectman Daniels put a motion on the floor and it was seconded to amend the amount of \$19,500.00 in this Article to \$23,700.00.

Mr. Daniels explained that at the Selectmen's meeting of the Monday before this Town Meeting, three of the petitioners of Article 27 came before that Board and stated they supported this Article 26 but were of the opinion that the Selectmen had not increased the single net income as much as they had increased the married combined income. After discussion at that Selectmen's meeting, the Board agreed to increase the single figure to \$23,700 and this met with the agreement of the three petitioners present at that meeting.

Chairman Sweeney of the Budget Committee stated there would be no change in the tax impact of this amendment.

There being no further discussion or comments, the Moderator called for a vote on the amendment. The amendment passed.

The Moderator ordered the Town Clerk to place the amended question on the Ballot in appropriate form.

The amended Ballot Question is as follows:

Shall we, pursuant to RSA 72:39-(a) and (b), modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Milford, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$40,000, to a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$60,000, and to a person 80 years of age or older, \$80,000? To qualify, the person must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:39-(a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including, without limitation, that they demonstrate that they have been a

New Hampshire resident for at least 5 consecutive years, own the real estate individual or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 years. In addition, the tax payer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than \$23,700, or if married, a combined net income of not more than \$37,000; and own net assets, whether married or not, not in excess of \$70,000, excluding the value of the person's residence. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #26:

YES: 2060 NO: 545

Article #26 was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 27 – Petition Article, Modification of Existing Elderly Exemptions

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Milford, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$68,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$83,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$120,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$35,000 or, if married a combined net income of less than \$45,000 and own net assets not in excess of \$100,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. Article by petition. The Board of Selectmen does not support this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee does not support this Article. (Petition received and verified 6 November 2003)

The Moderator read Ballot Question #27 as presented in the Voters' Guide as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 27 – Petition Article, Modification of Existing Elderly Exemptions

Shall the Town vote to modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Milford, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$68,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$83,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$120,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$35,000 or, if married a combined net income of less than \$45,000 and own net assets not in excess of \$100,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee do not support this Article.

The Moderator stated this Article is a petition article, and is moved by the petitioners. The article was seconded.

Selectman Daniels put a motion on the floor to amend this Article; it was seconded.

The amended Article is as follows:

Shall we **direct the Selectmen, as a sense of the meeting vote, to consider for the 2005 Warrant, modification of** the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Milford, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$68,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$83,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$120,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$35,000 or, if married a combined net income of less than \$45,000 and own net assets not in excess of \$100,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. Article by petition. The Board of Selectmen does not support this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee does not support this Article. (Petition received and verified 6 November 2003).

In response to discussions on this amendment, Town Counsel advised the assembly that the RSA governing this article was recently changed to allow for this modification as proposed.

There being no further comments or discussions, the Moderator ordered the Town Clerk to place this question on the Ballot as amended, in appropriate form.

The amended Ballot Question #27 is as follows:

Shall we **direct the Selectmen, as a sense of the meeting vote, to consider for the 2005 Warrant, modifications** of the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Milford, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$68,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$83,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$120,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$35,000 or, if married a combined net income of less than \$45,000 and own net assets not in excess of \$100,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. Article by petition. The Board of Selectmen does not support this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee does not support this Article. (petition received and verified 6 November 2003).

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #27 is as follows:

YES: 1719 NO: 849

Article #27 was voted in the affirmative.

PLEASE NOTE: Subsequent to the adjournment of this Town Meeting, the Budget Advisory Committee and the Board of Selectmen met to review the issue of support/non-support of this Article as amended. The result of this meeting was that the Budget Advisory Committee withdrew its support of this Article as amended.

ARTICLE 28 – Petition Article – Study Committee for Water and Sewer Village District

The Moderator presented a summary of this Article. The Article as printed in the posted Warrant is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectman to form a study committee for the purpose of researching the establishment of a water and sewer village district in the Town of Milford in accordance with RSA 52:1, said committee to report their findings and make a recommendation to the 2005 Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto. The petitioners are making this petition to 1) better protect Milford's natural water resource, 2) improve the quality of the resource and to 3) bring more effective and cost effective management of Milford's water and sewer utilities. . The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

The Moderator read Ballot Question #28 as follows:

BALLOT QUESTION 28 – Petition Article – Study Committee for Water and Sewer Village District

Shall the Town vote to authorize the selectman to form a study committee for the purpose of researching the establishment of a water and sewer village district in the Town of Milford in accordance with RSA 52:1, said committee to report their findings and make a recommendation to the 2005 Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto? The petitioners are making this petition to 1) better protect Milford's natural water resource, 2) improve the quality of the resource and to 3) bring more effective and cost effective management of Milford's water and sewer utilities. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The Moderator advised that this article was moved by the petitioners; it was seconded.

Mr. Quigley of the Budget Advisory Committee placed the following amendment on the floor; it was seconded.

The amended Ballot Question #28 is as follows:

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to form a **stand alone** study committee, **separate of any other selectmen study committee**, for the purpose of researching the establishment of a water and sewer village district in the Town of Milford in accordance with RSA 52:1, said committee to report their findings and make a recommendation to the 2005 Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto? The

petitioners are making this petition to 1) better protect Milford's natural water resource, 2) improve the quality of the resource and to 3) bring more effective and cost effective management of Milford's water and sewer utilities. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

It was noted that the Water and Sewer Departments of the Town support this committee being formed.

There being no further discussion or comments, the Moderator ordered the Town Clerk to place question #28 as amended on the Ballot in appropriate form.

The amended Ballot Question #28 is as follows:

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to form a **stand alone** study committee, **separate of any other selectmen study committee**, for the purpose of researching the establishment of a water and sewer village district in the Town of Milford in accordance with RSA 52:1, said committee to report their findings and make a recommendation to the 2005 Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto? The petitioners are making this petition to 1) better protect Milford's natural water resource, 2) improve the quality of the resource and to 3) bring more effective and cost effective management of Milford's water and sewer utilities. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee support this Article.

The results of the official ballot voting at the Elective Session on Article #28 is as follows:

YES: 1904 NO: 674

Article #28, as amended was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 29 - End of Meeting

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

There being no further business to legally come before this Meeting, the Moderator declared the Meeting closed at 3.15p.m.

NOTE: *The approximate total tax impact of these Warrant Articles, when you take into account the aggregate of appropriations, revenue and taxable land and building value increases, equals **59 Cents**.*

Margaret Langel

Town Clerk

